

July 27, 2011

Kentucky Board of Dentistry Task Force on Education- Special Education Committee Meeting

The meeting of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry Task Force on Education was called to order by the chairperson, Mary Ann Burch, RDH at 1: 20 p.m. in the conference room at the Kentucky Board of Dentistry Office in Louisville, Kentucky. Those in attendance were Mary Ann Burch, RDH, Dr. Robert Zena, Dr. Susan King, Dr. Tim Daugherty, and Mrs. Jessica Poynter. Dr. Fonda Robinson was unable to attend the meeting and sent her regrets. Mr. Brian Bishop and legal counsel, Mr. Bill Bausch, were present for a short period of time at the beginning of the meeting. Mrs. Lisa Turner was present for brief periods during the meeting to provide reference materials and answer questions as needed.

The first portion of the meeting was dedicated to reviewing /consulting the minutes from the May 13th meeting concerning the requirements/statutes, etc. for Coronal Polishing, Laser, Local Anesthesia /Nitrous and Radiation Safety .

It was decided that Mr. Bausch would send a letter to the Interfaith Dental Clinic advising them of the Kentucky statutes concerning Local Anesthesia/Nitrous. The present course offered does not meet the number of required hours to be considered an approved course. Mr. Brian Bishop made a recommendation that the committee consider approval of courses only and not individuals. The committee was in agreement and accepted this recommendation.

APPROVE:

Local Anesthesia/Nitrous—Holly Morgan—took approved course at Raymond Walters College--OK

Local Anesthesia/Nitrous—Alexis Cook King—took CODA approved course at Parkland College--OK

Local Anesthesia/Nitrous—Darbi Zucato--OK

Local Anesthesia/Nitrous—Lori Smithson—took CODA approved course at Parkland College--OK

Radiation Safety—Vicki Donohoue--OK

Radiation Safety—Morgan Barnes Krusinski—North Carolina, Wake Forest--OK

Radiation Safety—Spencer Torgerson--OK

Radiation Safety—Stephanie Juretech—DANB approved course certificate--OK

Radiation Safety—Christian Meyers—CODA approved course taken at Rowan Cabarrus Community College Salisbury, North Carolina--OK

Laser—Denise Grant, RDH—OK

PENDING: (Waiting on additional information)

Radiation Safety—Jodi Dunn

Radiation Safety—Lori Slavin DeChant—Robert Morris College

Radiation Safety—Heather Baker—University of Southern Indiana—waiting for syllabus

Radiation Safety—Monica Claus—Concorde Career College, San Diego, California—waiting on syllabus

Radiation Safety—Professional Learning Services, LLC.—Dental Hygiene refresher course –may take to the full Board

WITHDRAWN:

Radiation Safety—Deborah Craft

Radiation Safety—Tracey Page

DENIED:

Coronal Polishing—Melissa Garland—has taken 6 hour course—requirement is 8 hours—since course did not fulfill required number of hours, applicant will need to take an additional Board approved course listed on the website.

Local Anesthesia/Nitrous—Kara Bayer—Ohio College of Dentistry Columbus, Ohio CE—only 29 hours taken—Ky. Requirement is 46 hours—will need to take additional Board approved course listed on the website.

Jessica will respond with appropriate letter to inform applicants.

Dr. King would like for the Education Committee to evaluate the Dental Auxiliary Radiation Safety Technique Training Document and ask Jessica to create and help finalize the form to be approved by the Board to be placed on the website for easier access by all dentists.

Jessica will create standardized response forms for APPROVAL, PENDING, DENIAL to send to applicants and institutions. If an individual submits the request and is approved a letter will be sent to both the individual and the institution. However, if denied a letter will only be sent to the individual.

QUESTIONS RAISED:

How will we define whether someone needs a refresher course or a complete course?

What are the standardized guidelines for refresher courses both for dentists and dental hygienists? Do we actually have any?

AS IT IS NOW:

Dentists and dental hygienists that have not practiced for (2) two years or more are required to take a Board approved refresher course. At one time, the University of Tennessee had the only Board approved refresher course available for dental hygienists. Jessica will contact the University of Tennessee program to see if we can get a copy of their guidelines. She will also contact Julia Salooki, the Director of Oral Health Enrichment Program in Cleveland, Ohio for information regarding guidelines for their refresher course.

Dr. King phoned Mr. Brian Bishop and advised that the Education Committee would begin to develop guidelines and submit to the full Board on completion. It was decided that any course that is CODA approved and is taken as part of a curriculum, thereby meets or exceeds course requirements.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dr. King and seconded by Dr. Daugherty. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m. with no additional meetings scheduled at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy C. Daugherty, D.M.D.